

PORT ARTHUR READY TO FALL

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that the torpedo boat destroyer Grosivel is dismantled.

ON LAND AND SEA.

Report That Land and Naval Attack in Progress at Port Arthur Yesterday.

(By Associated Press.)

CHE FOO, Aug. 15-11 P. M.—That a general land and naval attack was made on Port Arthur to-day is indicated by information from various sources. The statement that the naval attack was made at 4 o'clock in the morning comes from an authoritative but not diplomatic quarter.

Junks, which arrived here to-day, say the Japanese recently occupied the Liaut hills and Shuehyan, which is two or three miles north of the fortress.

Five warships and seven torpedo-boat destroyers, according to the junks, returned to Port Arthur the night of August 10th.

Was Begun at Dawn.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—The State Department has received advices from Che Foo to the effect that it is reported there that a general naval battle at Port Arthur was begun at dawn to-day.

Heavy Fighting Reported.

(By Associated Press.)

BERLIN, Aug. 15.—A dispatch to the Lokal Anzeiger, from Tokyo, received to-day, confirms the reports that heavy fighting has occurred at Port Arthur during the last few days.

The Japanese captured three Russian batteries and got positions close to the inner fortifications.

Both sides lost heavily. The Japanese have commenced a bombardment from Lang Mountain on the harbor and inner defenses.

The Japs Were Repulsed.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 15.—4:20 P. M. The War Office to-day received a message from Port Arthur in which General Stoessel, under date of August 11th, reports a successful repulse of a general assault on the Russian outer positions during the night following the departure of the Russian squadron. He does not mention a naval engagement or refer to the return of the warships.

The admiralty has received a telegram from Captain Matoussévitch, of the Czarévitch, now at Tsingtau, saying he is recovering.

REPORT OF ALEXIEFF.

He Tells of Determined Fighting at Port Arthur—Japs Gain New Points.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PETERSBURG, August 15.—The Emperor has received the following dispatch from Viceroy Alexieff dated August 13th:

"According to a report from Port Arthur August 10th, the Japanese attacked Taku and SiaTou Mountains in enormous force during the night of August 8th, and occupied them after fifteen hours fighting. On the night of August 10th, during the heavy rainstorm, the Japanese attacked our east front, but were repulsed at all points. They also attacked simultaneously our whole front from Wolf Hills to Taku Mountain, but everywhere were driven back. The fortress has been bombarded from the east side for four days.

Occupy New Position.

(By Associated Press.)

CHE FOO, August 15.—Junks arriving here to-day having left Port Arthur August 12th, brought reports that the Japanese occupied new positions on that day. The fighting was heavy, but intermittent, and indicated that the assault was being continued. The Russians at Port Arthur are reported to be down-hearted. The men who came on the junks declare that the commander of the Japanese fleet before Port Arthur informed the Russian commander of the place that if the warships which returned to the harbor after the sortie of August 10th were sunk by the Russians, the Japanese would shell the town with Lydite.

Chinese who have returned, arriving here from Liao Yang, declares that the casualties in the recent fighting in that vicinity have been enormous on both sides.

Dominate the Port.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—A cablegram from Paris says: The Journal's St. Petersburg correspondent learns that the Japanese now hold all positions which dominate Port Arthur. In the dark hours of early morning great siege guns of the Japanese were operated on all the hills around the stronghold, and a rain of fire fell on all the Russian positions, town, dock yards and harbor. The bursting of Japanese shells, and the fires kindled thereby, and flashes of Russian guns in reply to the bombardment, made the space within the semi-circle of the Japanese lines a veritable seething.

Blood Troubles

Bad blood is the source of numerous aches and pains and the cause of nearly all stubborn, long-continued diseases. When the blood gets out of order, disease germs and poisons of various kinds find their way into the circulation and soon serious trouble is the result. Rheumatism, Malaria, Old Sores and Ulcers, Scrofula, Anemia, and many pustular or scaly skin eruptions, like Eczema, Salt Rheum and Tetter, have their beginning in bad blood, and only a remedy that enters into the circulation and destroys the germs and poisons, can have any permanent good effect upon a disease of this character.

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cauldron of flame and smoke as seen from the surrounding hill tops.

Moving Up the River.

(By Associated Press.)
MUKDEN, August 15.—The Chinese ban-

ing a full explanation, the restoration of the destroyer and severe punishment of the commander. The Chinese government has demanded from the Japanese the restoration of the destroyer.

The Flags Hauled Down.

(By Associated Press.)

BERLIN, August 15.—The hauling down of the flags of the Russian vessels at Tsingtau took place in accordance with instructions of the German foreign office, which, having ascertained that the damage sustained by the warships were too serious for repairs to be made within a reasonable time, gave orders for them to be hauled down and detained for the rest of the war.

The King has been officially informed of the action taken by Germany.

The crews of the Russian vessels have been ordered to be detained by the German authorities at Tsingtau until the close of the war.

PARLIAMENT PROROGUED.

The King in His Speech Touches on Questions Affecting Neutral Commerce.

LONDON, August 15.—After an admittedly barren session, marked by no less than seven fruitless attempts on the part of the opposition to turn out the government on votes of censure, Parliament was prorogued today, no more than twenty-five members being present, including one member of the Cabinet.

The King said in part: "Hostilities, I regret to say, are still in progress between Russia and Japan. Upon the outbreak of the war I issued a proclamation declaring my neutrality and enjoining all my people to a strict observance thereof. Important questions involving the treatment of neutral commerce in the hands of belligerents have arisen in connection with these operations. The issues involved, which are of the gravest moment to the trade of the empire, will, I trust, be amicably settled

played to accomplish the work. Three other bombs were found nearby. These had not exploded, owing to their fuses being defective. The bombs were typical of Japanese manufacture and were charged with pyroxylin.

MAY CAUSE TROUBLE.

International Difficulties May Arise from the Scattering of the Port Arthur Fleet.

BY PAUL LAMBETH.
(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch, Copyright, 1904.)

LONDON, August 15.—A phase of the Russo-Japanese war, which is causing much quiet talk and a small amount of anxiety in diplomatic and government circles is the danger of international complications arising from the status of the vessels of the shattered Port Arthur squadron, which have sought shelter in neutral ports.

The protests of Russia over the cutting out of the torpedo boat destroyer Reichtel in a case which points out the danger of the situation. While it is recognized that Japan has gone dangerously near the line of international law, it is not overlooked that the bounds, it is recalled that Russia herself is in large measure to blame for it, because of her action in the case of the Mandjur at Shanghai early in the war. Russia's position then gave just grounds for the Japanese suspicion of her good faith in the reported dismantling of the Reichtel. While her right to send war vessels into a neutral port to investigate is questioned, it appears from the official reports from Tokyo that the suspicions of the Japanese command were well founded. This incident, it is not believed, will result seriously. Russia's demands are not so potent at Pekin as they were some months ago.

The report that Germany has ordered the Russian flag to be hauled down from the battleship Czarévitch and the three cruisers which sought refuge there, has created a distinctly favorable impression. These vessels are out of commission for the balance of the war, and the result to Japan's plans are the same as though they had been sunk. It is feared that Germany would be disposed to show such favor to the Russians as to justify a strong protest from Japan.

Naval experts do not believe Russia will make an attempt at this time to send the Baltic fleet to the far East. With the Russian squadron scattered and the remaining ships so badly battered as to be unable to go into action, Togo can now put his vessels into perfect fighting trim, and will be able to handle any possible force Russia may send against him.

Rumors continue to reach here of the fall of Port Arthur. These are unofficial and are not credited in the best informed circles. The first authentic news of the capture of the great Russian fortress probably will come in the shape of an official dispatch from Tokyo, and until the receipt of such a dispatch news of the capture of the fortress must be taken with reserve. That there is continuous and heavy fighting there seems beyond question, and that the Japanese are concentrating troops before the fortress also seems sure. So far as the news shows, the operations in Manchuria have almost been suspended, pending the result of the Port Arthur campaign. There is a suspicion that there is more being done by both sides in Manchuria than the reports indicate, and army experts would not be surprised at the receipt of news of important movements between An-Shan and Mukden at any time.

Parker-Glenn-Kitchen Club.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LEAKVILLE, SPRING, N. C., Aug. 15.—The Parker-Glenn-Kitchen Club, organized by Parker-Glenn-Kitchen Club, this is the first club organized in the county.

The club enrolled 130 members the first night and it is safe to predict several hundred members within a few days.

Mr. H. P. Lane was elected president; C. F. Bradshaw, vice-president; C. P. Wall, secretary; J. D. Price, treasurer.

Were Bred in Old Kentucky.

The annual Kentucky excursion, a party of 137 persons from that State, passed



VICE ADMIRAL KAMIMURA OF JAPAN.

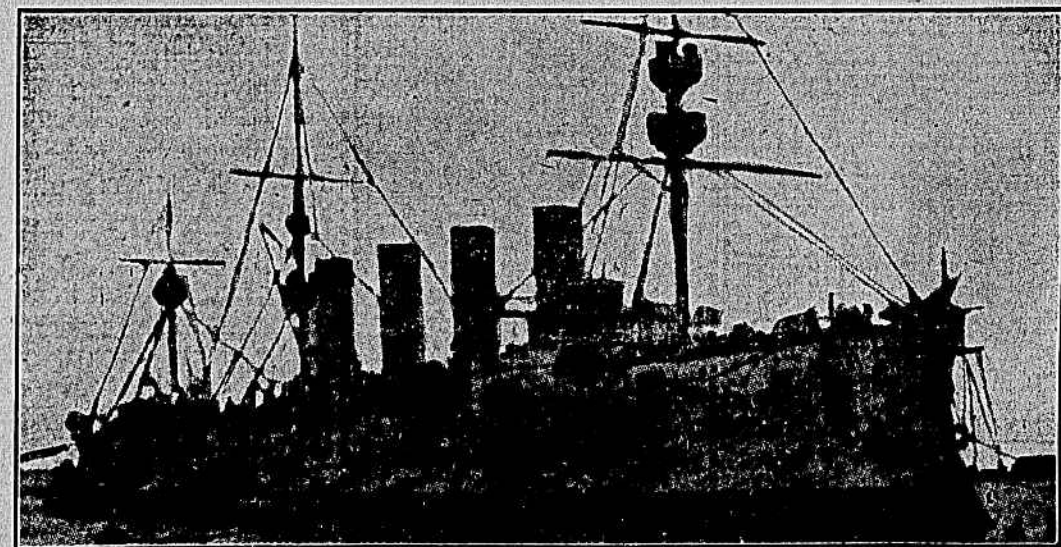
The gallant Japanese naval officer, who since just after the first bombardment of Port Arthur has been in pursuit of the elusive Vladivostok squadron, which he encountered on Sunday with the result that one cruiser was sunk and two others badly damaged.

dit leaders, Kitsuahan, Tulisan and Felling, each with a thousand followers, are now in the Shinninging district, moving on the Liao River valley, with the object of attacking the railway. Each of the bands, which were organized by Japanese, is accompanied by a hundred Japanese with mountain guns.

CHARGES COMPLICITY.

Russian Minister Charges Commander With Cowardice or Treason.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, August 15.—Mr. Conner, the American minister at Pekin,



THE RUSSIAN CRUISER GROMOBOI.

One of the big cruisers so severely damaged in Sunday's big naval battle.

has cabled to the State Department under to-day's date, as follows: "The Russian minister has sent to the Chinese government a strong note charging it with complicity in the Ryshbille affair, charging the Chinese with cowardice and treason, and demand-

BLEW UP THE ROAD.

Bandits Are Detected in Time to Prevent Much Serious Damage Being Done.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PETERSBURG, August 15.—A correspondent of the Associated Press describing the blowing up by Chinese bandits last night of a portion of the railroad ten miles south of Liao Yang, says the villages and farm houses of the region where the explosion occurred, are hidden by dense high growth of Chinese corn. The neighborhood is a stronghold of swarms of Chinese bandits, who assume the guise of farmers and countrymen in the day time and by night keep the railway guards busy by their repeated attempts to damage the line. The scattered farm houses are miniature forts, many of them being loop-holed for musketry.

On the night of August 13th an alarm was given near the railroad bridge over the Shak River. Lieutenant-Colonel Spridonoff and a small party hastened to the scene on a hand car and found the bridge intact. The guard was alert and the marauders were unable to get at the bridge itself, but a little further north the line was blown up for some distance, two bombs having been sent

This Testimony

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James G. Gray, Gibson, Mo., writes about Drake's Palmato Wine as follows: "I am a Missouri farmer in Dunkin County and have been sick with Malaria fever for fifteen months. I have tried every medicine I could get, but nothing has done me more good than the medicine I have taken in that I have been cured. Drake's Palmato Wine is the best medicine I ever used or heard of. I feel well now after using one bottle."

A. A. Felding, Knoxville, Tenn., writes: "I had a case of Malaria fever and I was falling to bed. I could not sleep nor attend to my business. I used the trial bottle and the large seventy-five cent bottles and can truthfully say I am entirely cured. I have advised many to write for a free trial bottle."

J. W. Moore, Monticello, Minn., makes the following statement about himself and a neighbor: "I say! Four bottles of Drake's Palmato Wine has cured me of Malaria fever and I feel well now after using one bottle. I have been sick with Malaria fever for fifteen months. I have tried every medicine I could get, but nothing has done me more good than the medicine I have taken in that I have been cured. Drake's Palmato Wine is the best medicine I ever used or heard of. I feel well now after using one bottle."

August Blanket Sale.

Our annual advance sale of Blankets and Bedwear begins to-day, and in order that we might make this sale a phenomenal success we planned for it months back, when we bought blankets at a forced sale of a blanket dealer. These blankets had to be sold, and we bought them at a very low figure; saved them to offer you in this sale the greatest values in Blankets you have ever seen. We are making this offer, too, in face of the fact that Blankets will be higher this fall than they have been.

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White Wool Blankets, full weight, 11-4 size, \$4.50 grade sale price \$3.48
White Wool Filled Blankets, 11-4 size, \$4.50 grade, sale price \$3.69
White Royal Fleece Blankets, all wool filled, 11-4 size, \$5.50 grade, \$4.48
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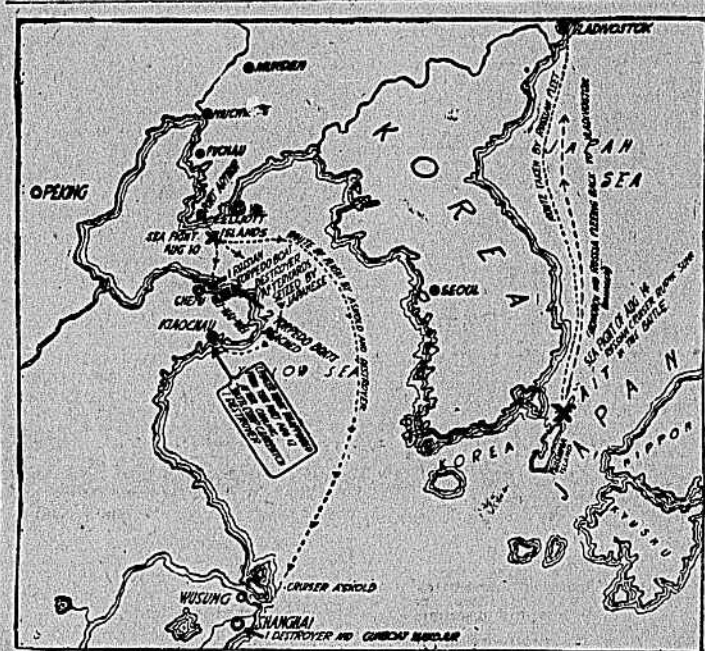
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MAP SHOWING HOW RUSSIAN FLEETS ARE SCATTERED.

After the battle of August 10th, five Russian battleships and the cruiser Diana retreated to Port Arthur. The Czarévitch in an unseaworthy condition, the cruiser Novik and a destroyer reached Kiaochow. The Novik soon sailed, and when last seen was trying to pass around Japan and reach Vladivostok. A destroyer which put into Chifu was seized by the Japanese and two torpedo boats were beached near Wei-Hai-Wei. The Askold and a destroyer reached Shanghai. The Palada is still missing and is reported sunk. The Rurik was sunk Sunday in a battle off Taishima Island, and the Gromoboi and Rossia, badly damaged, fled to Vladivostok.

TO SELL ASSETS OF THE UNIVERSAL

An Order to This Effect Entered in Jersey City by Chancellor Stevenson.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, August 15.—Attorney-General Robert H. McCarter, of New Jersey, as counsel for the Universal Tobacco Company, made an application to Vice-Chancellor Stevenson, in Jersey City, to-day for an order directing the sale of the assets of the company within nine days. The petition presented by Mr. McCarter was signed by the trustees who were appointed by the court to formulate the plan for the dissolution of the company. The appointment of the trustees was the outcome of a suit begun by E. A. McColpin and others, several months ago for the appointment of receivers for the Universal Tobacco Company. James B. Yreberg, representing Mr. McColpin, asked the court to order the sale in not less than thirty days. The court ordered that the sale should take place ten days after the date of sending out the notices, and said that in the order he would make he would direct that the sale be by separate lots and that the Commonwealth Tobacco Company should stipulate that the sale should be absolute. The Commonwealth Tobacco Company has been closely identified with the Universal Company. The Universal Company's assets include plants in New York and Richmond, Va.

Distinguished Visitor.

Major L. W. Ware, of the King's Royal Rifles, Bermuda Isles, arrived in the city yesterday from Fredericksburg and is at the Powhatan, where he will spend a week or more. Major Ware is attached to the British garrison at Bermuda, and is on a visit to this State to view the battlefields of the war of 1861-65. He went from Washington to Fredericksburg, and while in this vicinity will visit the battlefields at Seven Pines and Fair Oaks, Mechanicsville and others near the city. Like all Britishers, Major Ware is a great admirer of the Confederate soldier, and will be shown every attention by the veterans of this city and by the clubs.

Hauled Half a Million Tons.

The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway in July broke all records in the quantity of coal loaded from the New River fields, hauling 488,000 tons, or 50,000 tons more than in any previous month. About eighty per cent of this coal was dumped at Newport News, the remainder going at Westward chiefly. Considering that this is the dull season usually in fuel traffic, this record is considered phenomenal, and the railway officials are not a little elated over the figure.

Base-Ball Team at Lexington. The Staunton base-ball team, which played the Richmond Braves yesterday and will play games with the same team

Knights Templar Pilgrimage.

A party of eighteen Knights Templar, from this city and vicinity, will make the pilgrimage to the triennial convocation of the order at San Francisco, September 8th to 9th, going by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway.

Shop-Lifting Charged.

Mary Jones, alias Lizzie Patterson, and Etta Brooks, both colored, were arrested yesterday afternoon, charged with stealing some muslin underwear from a Broad Street store. Their homes were searched under a warrant and lots of dry goods found there.

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